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1. ALEXANDER COHEN'S OFFICE ADVISES THAT SEVERAL THEATRE COMPANIES FROM EACH COUNTRY HAVE RECEIVED "INVITATIONS" WHICH THEY DESCRIBE AS "LETTERS OF INTEREST." THESE LETTERS STATE IN EFFECT THAT "WE ADMIRE YOUR COMPANY AND WE ARE HOPING IT WILL COME TO OUR COUNTRY AS PART OF THE BICENTENNIAL". THE FINAL SELECTION OF THEATRE COMPANIES TO TOUR HERE WILL DEPEND ON HOW SUCCESSFUL THEY ARE IN RAISING TRANSOCEANIC TRAVEL FUNDS FROM THEIR GOVERNMENTS OR ELSEWHERE. THEREFORE NOT ALL COMPANIES RECEIVING SUCH LETTERS WILL COME TO THE U.S. MR. COHEN MUST EVENTUALLY SEE ALL PRODUCTIONS UNDER CONSIDERATION.

3. COHEN'S OFFICE ADVISES THAT AT MRS. ONASSIS' SUGGESTION, A LETTER WAS SENT TO THE NATIONAL THEATRE OF GREECE ON FEBRUARY 3 THROUGH THE GREEK AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON.

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THE "INVITATION" TO KAROLOS KOUN WAS SENT IN FEBRUARY 1974.

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